

May 9, 2011 - Special Town Council Meeting

At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Middletown, RI held at the Middletown Town Hall on Monday, May 9, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.

Council President Arthur S. Weber, Jr., Presiding

Vice President Bruce J. Long

Councillor Richard Cambra,

Councillor Christopher T. Semonelli

Councillor Edward J. Silveira, Jr.

Councillor Antone C. Viveiros

Councillor Barbara A. VonVillas, Members Present

Councillor Richard Cambra, Absent

POSTED – May 5, 2011

Wendy J.W. Marshall, Town Clerk

Town of Middletown

Town Hall – 350 East Main Road

Middletown, Rhode Island 02842

Dear Mrs. Marshall:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article II, Section 203 of the

Town Charter and in accordance with Sections 42-46-2., 42-46-4. and 42-46-6., RIGL, I hereby call a Special Meeting of the Town Council to formally consider, discuss and act upon the following items of business:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

1. Applications received from the following named persons, firms or corporations for RENEWAL of Amusement Licenses for the 2011-2012 licensing year. (See Attached List)

2. Review of FY 2011–2012 Proposed Budgets – Parks & Recreation Fund, Refuse & Recycling Fund, Sewer Fund, Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force, related grants, CIP submissions and matters related thereto

Said meeting will be held on Monday, May 9, 2011, at 6:00 P.M. at the Middletown Town Hall, 350 East Main Road, Middletown, Rhode Island 02842.

Arthur S. Weber, Jr., President

Middletown Town Council

cc:

Town Council

Public Library

Finance Director

Town Administrator

Town Solicitor

**Human Resource Manager
Middletown Public Library**

Substance Abuse Coordinator

This meeting location is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requiring interpreter services for the hearing-impaired should notify the Town Clerk's Office at 847-0009 not less than 48 hours before the meeting.

On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive said communication.

Also present were Town Administrator Shawn Brown, Finance Director Lynne Dible, Deputy Finance Director Marc Tanguay and Accounting Manager Deborah Barrett.

1. Applications received from the following named persons, firms or corporations for RENEWAL of Amusement Licenses for the 2011-2012 licensing year. (See Attached List)

On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded it was voted unanimously to grant said license renewals.

2. Review of FY 2011–2012 Proposed Budgets – Parks & Recreation Fund, Refuse & Recycling Fund, Sewer Fund, Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force, related grants, CIP submissions and matters related thereto.

On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive and act on the FY 2011-2012 Proposed Budgets.

Town Administrator Shawn Brown explained that the meeting will be a review of the Parks & Recreation Fund, Refuse & Recycling Fund, Sewer Fund, and Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force proposed budgets.

Finance Director Lynne Dible reviewed previously asked questions (from the Town Council) and responses entered here:

Councillor Semonelli noted concern with eliminating funds from Civic Appropriations.

Vice President Long explained that Civic Appropriation funding for Little League, Hockey Boosters and Football and Cheerleading have

not been changed in ten years. Mr. Long suggests the funding be increased and also requests an appropriation be allocated to Babe Ruth.

Councillor Cambra noted he does not support any increases for Civic Appropriations.

Councillor Semonelli noted his support for increases in Civic Appropriations.

Councillor VonVillas explained that, at a prior meeting, the Council agreed to level fund Civic Appropriations.

Councillor Silveira suggests level funding Civic Appropriations, given that all boards provide service to the community.

On motion of Councillor Silveira, duly seconded, it was voted to level fund Civic Appropriations within the General and Parks and Recreation Funds; Council President Weber, Councillors Cambra, Silveira and Von Villas voted YES; Vice President Long and Councillors Semonelli, and Viveiros voted NO to said motion.

Substance Abuse

Substance Abuse Coordinator Lori Verderosa addressed the Council reviewing the following:

Parks and Recreation Fund

Town Administrator Shawn Brown noted that there are no new fees or charges within the Parks and Recreation Fund; campground and mooring fees remain unchanged. Mr. Brown reviewed the following entered here:

It was noted that a Mass Notification System will be purchased for the beach, funded from the PPV Special Revenue Fund.

Recreation Director Tim Shaw and Finance Director Lynne Dible reviewed the following:

Discussion centered around staff numbers, salaries for beach crew, number of parking spaces at Second Beach, an engineering study for enhancements at Second Beach, Beach infrastructure, revenue streams including sale of Town beach apparel and campground enhancements and Town recreation programs.

On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted to request the Town Administrator to establish a committee to review opportunities using the previous engineering study for Second Beach; Council President Weber, Vice President Long, Councillors Cambra, Semonelli and Viveiros voted YES; Councillors Silveira and VonVillas vote NO to said motion.

Sewer Fund

Finance Director Lynne Dible reviewed the following entered here:

Town Administrator Shawn Brown reviewed the following entered here:

Public Works Director Tom O'Loughlin reviewed the Town Sewer Systems noting there are twelve pump stations and two seasonal pump stations. Mr. O'Loughlin reviewed CIP requests entered here:

Refuse and Recycling

Refuse and Recycling Coordinator William Cronin was present to respond to Council inquires concerning the Refuse and Recycling Fund.

Town Administrator Shawn Brown noted that there are no proposed changes to the sticker or bag rates in the Refuse and Recycling Fund.

Finance Director Lynne Dible reviewed the following entered here:

It was noted that research is being conducted concerning why some residents chose not to participate in the PAY-Throw program.

On motion of Councillor Silveira, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn said meeting at 8:55 pm.

Wendy J.W. Marshall, CMC

Council Clerk

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